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Counsel for Applicants was contacted on 27 October 2003 by Examiner Terrence Till, who initiated a telephonic interview. Pursuant to Applicants' duty under 37 C.F.R § 1.133(b), the following is a summary of the substance of the interview.

Examiner Till indicated that he had received Applicants' submission of German Patent application no. DE 29919053U1 by Trisa Holding and in view of the same, it was his position that claims 16-19 were no longer allowable. Possible amendments to claims 16-19 were discussed to determine what claim language would be acceptable to better distinguish the invention of claims 16-19 from the Trisa Holding reference. Possible amendments focused on importing structural elements from other allowable claims into claim 16.

Examiner Till indicated we would send a written Office action rejecting claims 16-19 in order to allow the Applicants an opportunity to review the issue and approve any claim amendment.

Respectfully submitted this 6th day of November 2003.

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